

Medium Size Public Library Representative (Vote for 1)

Debbi Kramer

I have been a Library Director for 16 ½ years, twelve years at Judith Basin Co. Free Library, Stanford and the last 4 ½ years at the Three Forks Community Library.

I have served or are currently serving on the Library Standards Task Force; the State Aid to Libraries Task Force; Network Advisory Council--Small Libraries Representative; Executive Committee for Montana Library2Go; and MSC Webscale Management Services (WMS) Advisory Group.

I am a member of the Montana Library Association for 19 years, have served as the MLA Secretary/Treasurer and am currently the Administrative Director.

9-12 School Library Representative (Vote for 1)

Christine Fogerty

I come to you with 29 years of teaching experience, the past 12 years I have been a Teacher Librarian at Big Sky High School in Missoula. For many years, I have been on the district's instructional technology committee. I have participated in various subcommittees, most recently the revision of the district's five year technology plan. I feel letting stake holders have a voice is critical to making improvements. Our district recently migrated to the MSC so I can bring a fresh perspective to the board and represent the high school libraries.

Diane Anderson

Currently the Catalog and System Specialist with Missoula County Public Schools (13 years)

Media Assistant at Big Sky High School (9 years)

Teacher Librarian at Simms High School (2 years)

Teacher Librarian at Glasgow Middle School (2 years)

B.S. in H.P.E. with K-12 Library Endorsement from Eastern Montana College in Billings, MT (1975)

My "library career" began as a student assistant at East Junior High School and is interwoven throughout my life in varying aspects of the library world. I am currently transitioning from a system administrator for the MCPS-based SirsiDynix Symphony ILS to a systems support/cataloger for MCPS. I was fortunate to receive my Sirsi (minus Dynix) training in Huntsville, AL. and have attended a number of UUGI conferences until the last five years. I attend Fall Conference and OFFLINE and am leading the way for my MCPS colleagues in the MSC membership meetings. I have met and collaborated with a number of the Teacher Librarians at our feeder schools which has given me a broader understanding of the K-8 environment providing balance to my high school experience.

The collaboration of schools, academics, public and special libraries is fundamental to the success of our student populations and our 21st century initiatives that are currently underway in a number of our school districts. I believe that the Montana Shared Catalog, State agencies and the Montana State Library are resources in Montana that are not “mined” as they should be in preparation for college-ready or career-ready Montanans of all ages.

Beth Chestnut

I would like to serve on the MSC Board to represent school libraries so I can advocate for the special needs of teacher librarians in Montana. I believe I am well placed to do so because of the experience I have from being a school librarian for 32 years and from my experiences serving in a leadership position on library boards and organizations. I believe strongly in cooperation between all types of libraries and am an advanced technology user and learner. I love the “Information highway”, whether it is in print or digital! I first started working in libraries in 5th grade as an aide. My cousin told me recently she remembers me “checking out” books to her from my private collection at home in Elementary School with cards and pockets. She even gave me a sample book. Wow! Maybe librarians can be born. J

Experiences:

32 years as a K-12 school librarian in Thompson Falls

Served on MSC Board as school library representative for five years

Currently serving a three year position on NAC (Network Advisory Council to MT State Library) as the small school library representative

Montana Library Association, School Library Media chair (three year position)

MEA conference organizer for MLA as vice-chair, including organizing membership, conference presenters, hospitality room and presenting sectionals

Currently serving on the OCLC Webscale Management Services advisory committee

At Large West Representative (Vote for 1)

Jack Albrecht

Howdy! My name is Jack Albrecht. I've been nominated to serve in the At Large West Position with the Montana Shared Catalog.

I began working in libraries as a work-study page at Metropolitan State College in Denver in 1976. That experience, fortified by my many hours spent in libraries during my student years, have instilled a great respect and enthusiasm for the services libraries and library workers provide to their patrons.

I would welcome the opportunity to serve on the Executive Committee for the MSC. I am very familiar with SirsiDynix's WorkFlows and Symphony, since my former employer, San Diego Public Library, has been using it since 2007. I would welcome the opportunity to contribute our quest to provide timely and efficient service to our patrons.

Desiree Dramstad

Desiree is the Director of the North Valley Public Library in Stevensville. She graduated

from the University of Montana in 2004 with a BA in English. A PEEL scholarship from the Montana State Library enabled her to earn an MLIS from the University of Washington Information School in 2009. She was the co-chair of the 2012 MLA conference planning committee and currently serves on the OCLC Webscale Management Services advisory committee. Desiree has lived in various parts of Montana throughout her life and enjoys the outdoor recreation activities that her home state has to offer.